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PLACE DOEBELN, SZG		WAC NO.	FN	EVAL F-6	IN CODE NO.
POLITICAL LOCATION SOVIET ZONE GERMANY			DESCRIPTIVE NAME OF REPORT Preliminary Interrogation Report on American seen in Soviet PW camp		
SOVIET ECON. REGION N/A	PROPER NAME	INHERIT	DATES OF INFORMATION FROM 1945 TO 1953		

I. PREAMBLE:

SOURCE arrived in Western Germany on the 2/10/53 with a transport of German PWs repatriated from Soviet Russia. SOURCE submitted following information to American screening authorities.

II. INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION:

On the 21st of July 1945 SOURCE first saw an American in MVD prison in DOEBELN (5107N/1307E), Sachsen. The American occupied the cell # 11 and had arrived in prison 2 days prior to been seen by SOURCE. SOURCE was able to speak to the American from a neighboring cell and later saw him from a distance in the hallway. SOURCE described the American as being 1.75 m tall, 28 to 30 years of age, dark hair and dark complexion. The American wore a United States Army uniform and SOURCE recognized him as an officer although the American wore no rank insignia.

The American told SOURCE his story from the neighboring cell: he was born in Germany and as a child emigrated to the USA. Later he joined the US Army and entered Germany with the American Forces. While stationed in GOSLAR, he decided to visit his mother who lived at that time in WESTEVITZ, Kreis DOEBELN. The American stated that he intended to bring his mother with him to the USA. He received permission to enter Soviet occupied territory and to pick up his mother. His mother had to take care of some minor formalities at DOEBELN, which was located about 10 km beyond the area specified on the American's Interzonen-Pass. The American drove in a US Army jeep with his mother to DOEBELN and was arrested there by Soviet authorities. When SOURCE left prison in August 1945, the American prisoner was still there. His jeep was parked in prison yard, all US identification numbers were painted over. The American's first name was Helmut.

It was known to SOURCE that the American was allowed to write letter to authorities demanding his release. He was well treated and was receiving better food than the Germans.

SOURCE asked that no mention be made of his name since he has relatives living in the Soviet Zone of Germany.

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